

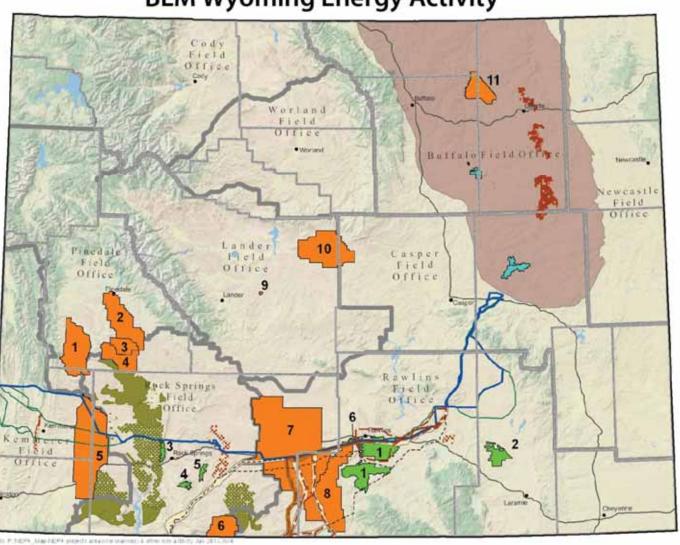
# BLM Wyoming Oil and Gas Overview



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#### **BLM Wyoming Energy Activity**



Field Office Boundary County Boundary

Powder River Basin

Active Coal Lease
Leasable Oil Shale Area

Active Uranium Mine

#### Transmission Line Projects

Energy Gateway South (EGS) Proposed

EGS Alternative

Cateway West Proposed

Gateway West Alternative

Transwest Express Proposed Corridor

Transwest Express Alternative Corridor

#### **NEPA Projects**

#### Oil & Gas Development Projects

1 Labarge Platform Exploration and Development

2 Pinedale Anticline

3 Jonah

4 Normally-Pressurized Lance Natural Gas.

5 Moxa Arch Infill Gas Development

6 Hiawatha Field

7 Continental Divide/Creston Natural Gas

8 Atlantic Rim

9 Beaver Creek Natural Gas

10 Moneta Divide Natural Gas and Cil Development

11 Fortification Creek SMA

#### Wind Energy Projects

1 Chokecherry/Sierra Madre Wind Farm

2 Sand Hills Ranch Wind Energy

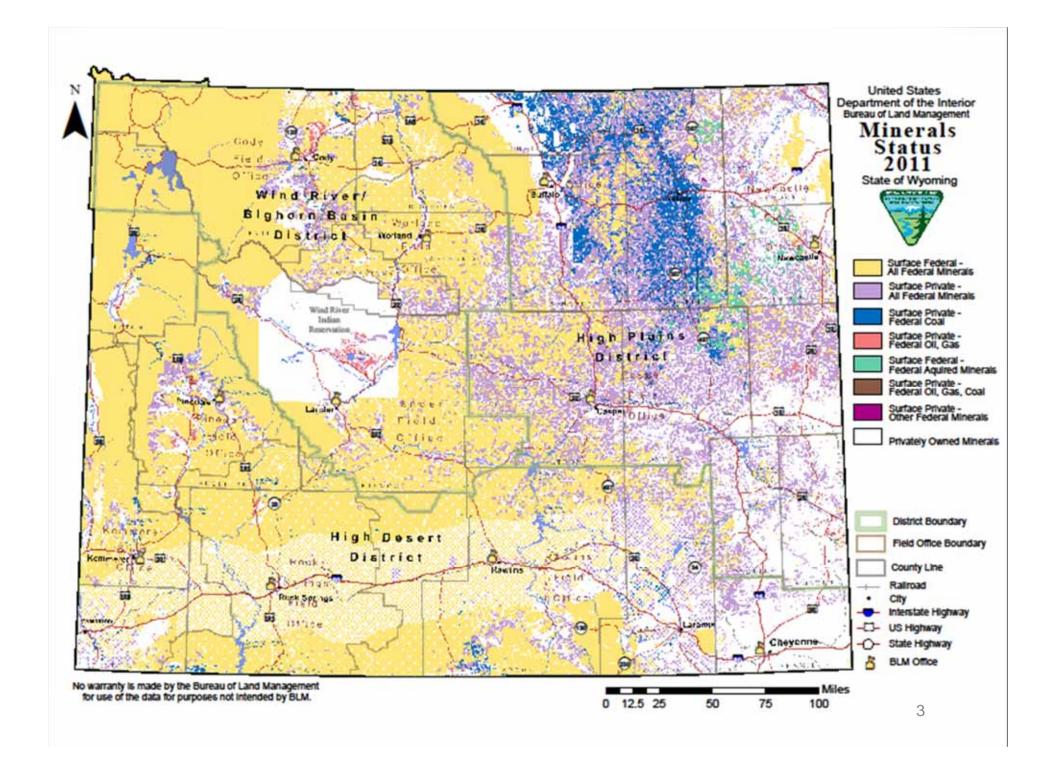
3 White Mountain Wind Farm

4 Quaking Aspen Mountain Wind Farm

5 Sweeney Ranch Wind Energy Facility

6 Hogback Ridge Wind Energy





# BLM Wyoming Oil and Gas Rawlins Field Office

• 1,831 leases

• 1.68 million acres

765 producing

• 581,981 acres of land

## Leasing Reform



Implemented for two years

 Establishes process to ensure orderly, effective, timely and environmentally responsible oil and gas leasing

# **BLM Wyoming Implementation**

- Parcels from each district will be offered in two sales per year
- High Plains and Wind River/Bighorn Basin districts
  - February and August
- High Desert District parcels
  - May and November
- Expressions of Interest determine number of parcels



# Wyoming Leasing Reform Analysis

 District office prepares National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document

NEPA document prepared by interdisciplinary parcel review team

Conduct site visits

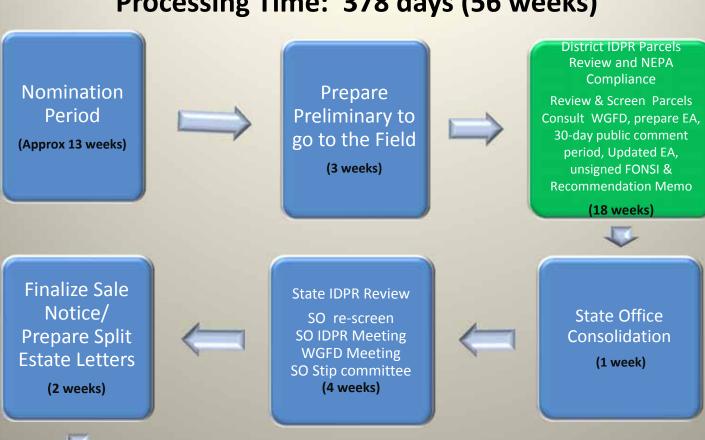


# Wyoming State Office

# Wyoming Leasing Reform Coordination

- BLM
- State of Wyoming, Office of the Governor
- Wyoming Game and Fish Department
- Surface management agencies
- Surface owners of split estate parcels

# Oil & Gas Leasing Process Processing Time: 378 days (56 weeks)



90 days
Before Sale



Protest Period
Until 60 days
Before the
Sale!



Oil & Gas Lease Sale



#### **BLM Wyoming 2012 Sales**

- 562 parcels offered
- 511 parcels sold
- \$41,582,396 collected
  - (bonus bid, administrative fee, first year's rent)
- Approximately half will be shared with the State of Wyoming upon lease issuance



#### **BLM Wyoming 2013 Sales**

- February 2013
  - 136 parcels sold for \$7,792,429
- May 2013
  - 66 parcels will be offered
  - 2 protests filed and being resolved prior to sale
- August 2013
  - 249 parcels analyzed in the EA
  - Public comment closed February 25
- November 2013
  - 44 parcels being analyzed in the EA



#### Parcel Deferrals since 2008

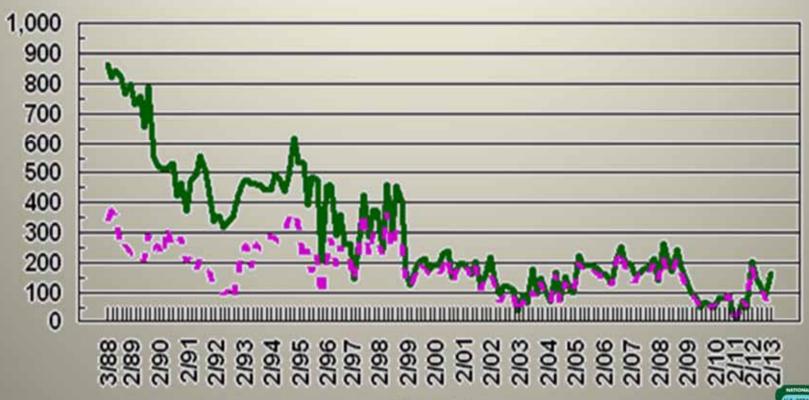


- 1,849 parcels on
   2,575,767 acres
- Reasons:
  - Sage-grouse issues (habitat)
    - Land use plan amendment being prepared
  - Resource ManagementPlan Revisions
  - Multiple resource management issues



#### **BLM Wyoming Oil and Gas Competitive Lease Sales**

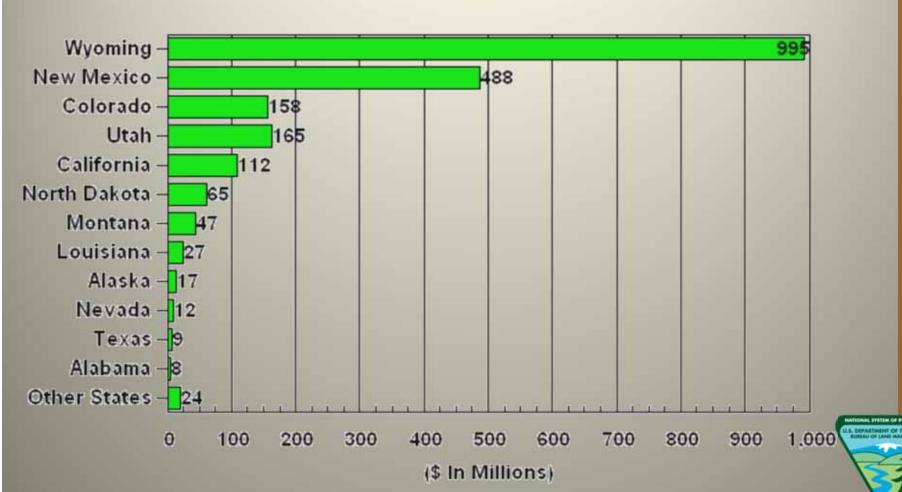
#### **Number of Parcels**



Sale Date

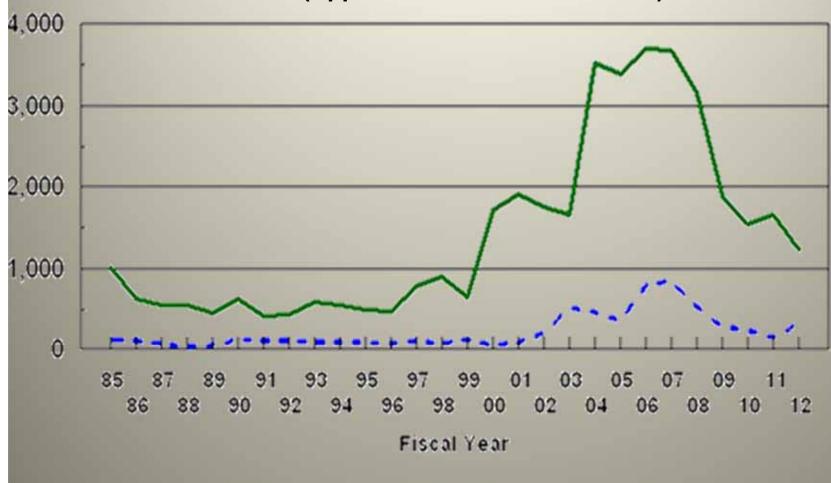
Parcels Offered • Parcels Receiving Bids

# Federal Onshore and Offshore Mineral Revenues State Distribution – FY 2012



#### **BLM Wyoming – APD Activity**

#### **Number of APDs (Applications for Permit to Drill)**



— Approved — Withdrawn/Rejected



# Hydraulic Fracturing Now

No requirement for chemical disclosure on Federal or Indian land

 Approximately 90% of wells drilled use hydraulic fracturing

 Other fracking issues need to be addressed

## **BLM Proposed Fracking Rule**

- May 11, 2012: Proposed rule released
- Public disclosure of chemicals for operations on Federal and Indian lands
- Protects proprietary information
- Published in the Federal Register for public comments



#### **Production Commingling**

- BLM policy: case-by-case commingling approvals
- Commingling non-federal and federal production prior to measurement not approved
- Exception: unless BLM can legally inspect, verify production and take enforcement action from all sources of production



# **Production Commingling**

- Occurs on non-federal and federal leases in a federal unit
  - Otherwise BLM does not have this authority
- BLM Washington Office is preparing policy that may allow flexibility when justified by economics and environmental considerations



